Sherman, who unfortunately rode in a closed carriage, and so was not recognized, nor indeed could be be seen by the many. GEN. LOGAN

rode with the veteran mounted squad, and sat his saddle royally. A significant emblem showed the heart of the old Pifteenth Corps, though of course no one will justst that it had anything to do with the present attitude of its old commander as candidate for Vice-President. A comrade carried at the head of a squad of the Fifteenth a pointer consisting of a genuine "forty rounds" nailed to a yellow field.

Kausas was wide awake and aflame with enthusiasm as of old. A delegation of these Connecticut G. A. R., James B. Colt, Commander, was conspicuous from the fact that each bore a Delaware G. A. R., Charles F. Carey, Commander. banner with a corps emblem, 23 in all. A beautiful sight was the Iowa Drum Corps of boys in uniform, headed by a veteran with the

A little girl in white, with the American flag around her shoulders, marching in the ranks with her father, evoked the wildest cheers. She marched like a veteran. At several of the State and regimental Reunions she had appeared in recitations, and so proved herself worthy a place in the veteran ranks.

SHEEMAN'S BUMMERS were a picturesque and hilarious company, well loaded with hens, turkeys, Summer vegetables and other luxuries of the season. Their uniforms were of a varigated order, with one representative of the famous Bucktails mounted on a fractions horse.

There were some elegant banners at the head of the delegations, notably that borne by the Wisconsin boys, whose delegation was very large. Shields Post banner, red, with gilt trimmings, was among the more elegant. Geo. S. Canfield, Commander Brainerd Post, headed a Minnesota battalion, the Brainerd Band heading it, formed like a cross and the boys carrying a bunner proudly, presented the Post by the ladies. Among the favorite bands at the Other Departments. grounds were the McCaslin Post Band, Paola, Kan, and Wm. H. Lytle, of Fort Scott. The officers of the National Woman's Relief Corps were heartily cheered as their carriages closed | Department of Missouri ... up the line.

THE TATTERED BATTLE FLAGS. Next to the old vets themselves were the tattered battle flags the feature of greatest interest. Little was left of some of them but the flagstaff, with a pitiful handful of shreds. Riddled and torn in the fierce storms of bullet and shell, how vividly they brought up the story of the siege and the march and the conflict of blood. Before them passing by many a head uncovered and many an eye was dim with the tears that were swift to come and slow to go.

HOSPITALITY OF THE LADIES. All along the route of march the ladies of Minneapolis had provided stands, marked "Welcome to our Veterans," from which ice water, lemonade and sometimes cigars and other refreshments were dispensed. The veterans, unaccustomed now to the long march, walking with lagging, reluctant steps and parched throats, duly appreciated the comforts offered at every halt, and were loud

in their praises of Minneapolis haspitality. Near one of these cooling fountains along the line of march a most beautiful sight was presented, and sweet songs were heard that were as the music of heaven to the veteran's ear. On a circular pyramid, mounted step by step to the apex, was a solid bouquet of young school girls in white, decked with the National colors, singing in perfect time the old songs of

THE DECORATIONS emblems, strung on cords, extended from street decorations or frescoed with streaming banners and corps emblems. Certainly decorative art | badge and the countersign, were admitted. has found a congenial soil in Minneapolis.

It is estimated that not less than 20,000 were in the procession, which was one hour and a quarter passing the West House, with but a single balt of short duration in the line, estimated at four miles long. This was when the Minnesota militia and Regulars from Fort Snelling formed an escort to the Commander-in-Chief and others opened ranks for the veterans

THE GRAND PARADE. rolling on Tenth street and Fourth avenue, grand review by Commander-in-Chief Beath and Staff, who formed on Washington avenue, and reviewed the line as it passed First avenue:

PIRST DIVISION. Form on Tenth street, right on Fourth avenue south, Col. C. H. Beston commanding. Pistoon Mounted Police. Two Platoens Foot Police.

D. M. Gilmore, Grant Marshal, and Aids. C. H. Burton, Marshal. Veteran Generals—mounted and in carriages. Brig.-Gen. A. H. Terry and Staff. Col. George B. Andrews commanding. Battery United States Art. Fort Snelling Hand. 25th Regiment United States Infantry.

1st Regiment Band, Governor Hubbard and Staff, 1st Regiment Minnesota National Guard, Col. Bend 2d Regiment Band. 2d Regiment Minnesota National Guard, Col. Bobleter commanding.

Emmett Light Art., Capt. McCarty commanding. Wolfe Tone Rifles, Capt. McArble commanding. Grand Army of the Republic Veterans. Commander-in-Chief R. E. Beath and Staff. SECOND DIVISION.

Form on Park avenue, right on Tenth street, Capt. A. A. Arnes commanding. Figin Band, Forty pieces. lst Minnesota regiment, 160 men, as escort to 32

battle flags. Sons of Voterans, 60 men. Cap. Knowlton com-The following Minnesota and other Posts made up the rest of the division: Mueller Post, No. 1, of Sullyunter, 60 men; J. S. Cady, No. 3, Anoka, 120

men; H. C. Regers, No. 14, 40 men; Burdick Post, No. 3, Spring Tailey, hended by Spring Valley Cornet Band; G. N. Morgan, No. 4, Minneapolis, Brum Corps and 200 men; L. P. Piummer Post, No. 50, Minneapolis, 60 men, and headed by Drum Corps; Levi Butler Post, No. 76, Minneapolis, 70 men; Ord Post, No. 191, Wayzata, 12 men; Soddard Post, No. 36, Worthington, 7 men and Brum Corps; John Ball Post, No. 45, 50 men; McPherson Post, No. 17, 28 men; Col. Couldant Post, No. 30, Creakston, 71 28 men; Col. Colibam Post, No. 99, Crookston, 71 men and hand; Meintyre Post, No. 66, Austin, 50 men; Barnaide Post, No. 32, 25 men; Garfield Post, No. 8, St. Paul, 48 men and Drum Corps; J. A. Goodwin Post, No. 81, 71 men; Pap Thomas Post, No. 30, Brainerd, 50 men; J. P. McCook Post, No. 28, Glencoc, 50 men; W. R. Gorman Post, No. 13, Duigth, 16 men; Hobert Anderson Post, No. 68, 12 men; Roben Post, No. 15, Albert Lea, 40 men; Steedman Post, No. 69, Hiestor, 53 men; G. H. Thomas Post, No. 9, Mantivideo, 31 men; Wilkin Post, No. 19, Somen; Post No. 64, St. James, 10 men; Mitchell Post, No. 63, Madella, 70 men; Skaro Post, No. 87, 70 men; C. C. Washburn Post, No. 72, Minley Post, No. 92, Caunon Falls, 28 men; Canby Post, No. 62, Parmington, 80 men and Drum Corps of 12; Heywood Poet, No. 83, Northfield, 61 men; Sedgwick Post, No. 52, Montierlio, 40 men; N. B. Barron Post, No. 93, 40 men; Post No. 27, Wascon,

Dakota-William Gorman Post, No. 56, 30 men; W. H. Seward Post, No. 65, Jamestown, 15 men; J. L. Weiser Post, No. 66, Jamestown, 13 men; Joe looker Post, No. 10, Sioux Falls, 30 men; G. H. tevens Post, No. 23, Howard, 15 men; Kilpatrick Post, No. 4, Euron, 15 men; C. C. Washburn Post, No. 15, Egan, 25 men; Baker Post, No. 39, Lake Presion, 7 men; Carleton Post, No. 17, Parker, 14 men; Wadsworth Post, No. 50, Flundrenu, 17 men; Summer Post, No. 57, Wahpeton, 30 men; J. F. Reynolds Post, No. 4, Fargo, 63 men; A. Humplirey Post, No. 42, Milbank, 20 men; Edward Welsh Post, No. 4, Aurora, 10 men; Slocum Post, No. 70, Webster, 10 men; Phil Kearny Post, No. 5, Minneapolis Tribune

Olio delegation, Col. Lloyd Department Commander, ho men. Colorado delegation, 20 men. Delaware delegation, 4 men.

Pennsylvania delegation, 64 men. THIRD DIVISION. Form on Sevennth avenue south, right on Tenth street, Capt. C. A. Clawson commanding.

Wisconsin G. A. R., Phil. Cheek, jr., Commander. Oregon G. A. R., F. L. Babcock, Commander, California G. A. R., Jas M. Davis, Commander, New York G. A. R., Ira M. Hedges, Commander.

Vermort G. A. R., C. C. Kinsman, Commander, Kentucky G. A. R., J. C. Miche, Commander, Piorida G. A. R., Lyman Reubey, Commander. Indiana G. A. R., Edwin Micar, Commander.

FOURTH DIVISION. Form on Portland avenue, right on Tenth street, Capt. Win Brackets commanding.

Missouri G. A. R., W. F. Chamberlin, Commander. Band. higan G. A. R., R. J. Shank, Commander, raska G. A. R., H. E. Palmer, Commander,

New Hampshire G. A. R., J. C. Linehan, Com Jersey G. A. R., A. M. Nevius, Commander. ginia G. A. R., P. T. Woodfin, Commander. Virginia G. A. R., W. H. H. Flick, Com-

Kansas G. A. R., H. W. Pond, Commander, Iowa G. A. R., S. B. Cook, Commander. Band.
Illinois G. A. R., L. T. Dickinson, Commander.
Massachusetts G. A. R., John D. Billings, Com-

New Mexico G. A. R., E. W. Wynecoop, Commander.

Department of Gulf G. A. R., William Roy, Commander.

Rhode Island G. A. R., R. A. McMahon, Com-

SIXTH DIVISION-SONS OF VETERANS. Form on Fifth avenue south, right resting on Tenth street, Col. E. M. Van Cleve, Commander. Band. Sherman's Bummers,

FIRST DIVISION. United States troops... Musicians.

Commanders, staff officers, distinguished guests, etc... SECOND DIVISION. Colors and Sons of Veterans... Department of Minnesota. Department of Dakota... Department of Maine ... Department of Ohio ... Twenty drum corps...

THIRD DIVISION. Department of Wisconsin. FOURTH DIVISION.

Other Departments.. FIFTH DIVISION. Department of Kansas. Department of Iowa. Department of Illinois. Department of Massachusetts. Department of Connecticut... Department of Delaware...

AT THE COLOSSEUM.

The business sessions of the Grand Army were held at the Colosseum, some two miles tropolis of the Northwest.

character of the decorations, which were most | committee. profuse and symbolic of the order of veterans. The stage was covered with evergreens and decorated with flags, bunting, corps emblems Peace is looking down upon the husband emand a Union and Confederate soldier are grasping each others' hands. The front of the balslong the line of march, many of which were | cony was stuccoed with flags, and below the arranged by the deft hands of the ladies, were | flags, on the balcony, were the different corps beautiful beyond description. There was no badges. At the back of the circle were the coat coarse display of masses of bunting, but an of arms of the various States. The delegates artistic mantling of every building and block | were seated in the parquet, each Department with millions and millions of small and dainty | provided with a table, and its place distinctly marked by silk banners bearing the names of to street and building to building. Whole the States represented. The dress circle and fronts had their entire surface strong with gallery were devoted to visiting comrades, of which 2,500 members of the Order, with the

GETTING DOWN TO BUSINESS. Owing to the fact that the parade was slow in making its rounds and the distance of the Colosseum from the city, the Grand Army did not convene in session until 3 o'clock in the atternoon, when the roll was called and the following officers responded to their names: Commander-in-Chief, Robert B. Beath, Philadelphia, Pa.; S. V. Commander-in-Chief, Wm. Warner, Kansas City, Mo.; J. V. Commander-in-Chief, W. H. Holmes, San Francisco, Cal.; Y.; Adj't-Gen., J. M. Vanderslice, Philadelphia, and proceeding as follows and including the Pa.; Ass't Adj't-Gen., Thomas J. Stewart, Norristown, Pa.; Q. M. G., John Taylor, Philadel-

phia, Pa.; Ins.-Gen., Charles A. Santmyer, Car-Dubuque, Iowa, was the only officer absent, but

his report was submitted by mail. Chaplain-in-Chief L. M. Foster, of Brooklyn, tated by disease since the expiration of their N. Y., opened the session with prayer, when Commander Robert B. Beath, of Philadelphia, delivered his annual address, and the business sessions were duly opened. Adj't-Gen. I. M. Vanderslice, Ius.-Gen., C. A. Santmyer and Q. M. G. John Taylor presented their reports in the order named. These have already appeared in THE NATIONAL TRIBUNE. The enman, a new and zealous recruit, after the session began, elicited great enthusiasm, and they were conducted to seats on the platform.

APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES. The Commander-in-Chief announced the appointment of the following committees: Address of Commander-in-Chief-R. S. Robinson, Ind., chahman; T. E. Barker, Mass.; S. B. Howe, Conn.; E. B. Ewing, Ohio; W. W. Berry, Ill. Rules, Regulations and Ritual—H. B. Pierce, Mass.; N. H. Tainter, Conn.; C. V. R. Pond, Mich.; H. M. Nevins, N. J.; A. A. Valentine, Vt. Report of Adjutant-General—A. P. Pease, Mo.; C. C. Boyce, Potomae; D. H. Holman, Me.; W. B. Shoekley, Kan.; G. B. Squeres, N. Y.

Report of Quartermaster-General—Samuel Har-per, III.; W. W. Walker, Md.; B. S. Carr, Colo.; F. E. Brown, Neb.; L. Traver, R. I. Report of Inspector-General—C. T. Clarke, Ohio; A. E. Emory, N. H.; Phil Clark, jr., Wis.; W. S. Culbertson, Iowa; H. G. Hecks, Minn.

THE COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS, one from each Department, was as follows: one from each Department, was as follows:

S. S. Burdett, Potomac, chairman; B. D. House, Ind.; John Patmer, N. Y.; T. H. Barnes, Ark.; W. H. Holmes, Cal.; A. P. Curry, Colo.; J. D. Piunkett, Conn.; W. S. MeNnir, Del.; R. W. McCiaughey, Ili.; Lot Abraham, Iowa; J. W. Feigman, Kan., W. H. Horton, Ky.; Benj. Williams, Me.; Pitt Henninghausen, Md.; J. F. Meech, Mass.; Rush J. Shank, Mich.; C. G. Edwards, Minn.; H. C. McDougall, Mo.; J. C. Linshan, N. H.; J. R. Van Syckie, N. J.; S. H. Hurst, Ohio; A. C. Reinvehl, Pa.; A. L. McMahon, R. I.; N. P. Bowman, Vt.; B. C. Cook, Va.; E. M. Bartlett, Wis.; B. B. Tuttle, Oreg.; D. Ashforth, Ky.; B. F. Shaw, W. Va.; W. L. Marshall, Tenn.; S. J. Alexander, Neb.; J. E. West, Dak.

S. J. Alexander, Neb.; J. E. West, Dak. Numerous resolutions, covering a variety of subjects, were introduced and referred to the committee. Thanks were proffered to Comrade Fry, of Iowa, for a gavel made of wood meapolis, 67 men; Acker Post, No. 21, St. Paul, 110 taken from Southern prisons. Assignments men and the Great Western Band; George McKin- were made for the newly-appointed commit-

o'clock to-morrow morning. EVENING AT CAMP BEATH. A literary program, upon which Mrs. Kate B. by Elizabeth Mansfield Irving, was the chief less monopoly ever known. Another Ohio of fireworks, prolonged for nearly an hour, by | sight of the main question, and if the soldiers by the far-famed Flambeau Club, of Topeka, | met obstructions in obtaining lands as long as Kan., closed the day at Camp Beath. The at- had been claimed, all he has to do to place tendance was enormous, every estimate placing himself on a footing with the foreigner or the number of the crowd at from 50,000 to civilian was to waive his right as a soldier 75,000. In expectation of something superior | simply. hundreds secured seats in the grand stand and held them until the affair took place. The

VOICED THE DISAPPOINTMENT of the assembled multitudes when, in its come ments, it said the arrangements were poor all through, and whatever satisfaction might havcome from the show was overshadowed by the disappointment felt on every side. No provision was made for the Flambeau Club to work, and when it was at last announced that they would go through their exercises on the track in front of the stands, it became a matter of great difficulty to clear sufficient space to were shoved back like cattle, many being roughly handled, while the excitement, pressure, and heat caused a number of ladies to faint. For half an hour the noise and proceedings were suggestive of pandemonium. When the club finally began, the beauty that might have been brought out had they proceeded in the outer field was lost in the smoke and fear of accident. A panic did almost occur at one time by the blazing up of a flag on the big stand. Men and women jumped over the railing, and for a few moments it looked as though

with the arrangements was that the Flambeau Club, instead of being assigned to a space in the open field between the grand stand and the camp, were placed on the race-course, right un-THE TROUBLE camp, were placed on the race-course, right under the noses of the thousands of people in the our own and the next generation must purchase only the stragglers in Camp Beath and the visitors in the carriage blockade outside had stars and comets, and trailing showers of splender filled the air until people were blind with looking at the brilliant spectacle.

Mrs. Irving could not be heard by any except those immediately in front, and packed in a solid mass before the stand from which the poem was delivered. But there were at least 5,000 auditors of these and her reception was most enthusiastic, as in a clear, ringing, magnificent voice she recited "The Grand Army" in noble and majestic style. She was interrupted at the close of several stanzas, and 617 at the close of the recitation was recalled and and gave an equally acceptable rendition of "Sheridan's Ride." Gen. Warner and Gen. Gibson were among the speakers of the evening.

GEN. SHERMAN'S COMRADESHIP. joined the Grand Army," was the remark of THE NATIONAL TRIBUNE to the old hero, after a fraternal shake of the hand and a few words

of greeting. "And there is no commander whom the boys

look with greater confidence for sympathy and support," was the reply. Gen. Sherman thereupon paid a fine compliment to the Union soldier, and expressed the pleasure he had in meeting them in their Re-

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sessions of the Order.

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An Entertaining Business Session-Report of the Committee on Pensions-Discussion-Nominations for Commander-in-Chief-Balloting.

The National Encampment resumed its session at the Colosseum at 10:30 o'clock Thursday out of the city, accessible by street cars and morning, and was called to order by Comcarriages, which were a luxury difficult to mander-in-Chief Beath. The reading of the secure at Minneapolis. The Colosseum is an minutes of the opening session was dispensed immense structure, with a seating capacity of with, and the first order of business for the of Past Commander George Bowers, of New 6,000, and was built for the grand Thomas fes- morning was the reading of reports from comtival, which extended over a week last winter, mittees. William Warner, of St. Joseph, Mo., and was a great musical triumph for the Me- | from the Committee on the Establishment of a | and unworthy of confidence. Soldiers' Home West of the Mississippi, gave a The Colosseum shared in the general artistic | history of the various meetings held by the

SOLDIERS' HOMES. and mottos. On the rear of the stage was the Mississippi River, many of whom had been reduced picture of "Peace and War." The Goddess of thus far established only 865 Western soldiers had been found, and the law refusing admission to such bracing his wife on his return from the war, | Homes unless the soldier had been disabled while actively in service was declared a proper subject for amendment. The committee met in Washington on the 2d of February last and discovered that bills had been introduced in both Houses providing for the establishment of a branch Home at some suitable point in the States of Kansas, Missouri, Iowa, Minnesota, or other State located west of the Mississippi, and appropriating \$80,000 for its construction, to which honorably-discharged soldiers may be admitted upon proper certificates of disa-bility. The introduction of the bills was followed by the presentation of memorials urging the immediate passage of the bills referred to, because the Homes now established are wholly inadequate to meet the demand. The desired bill was passed by Congress on the 5th day of July, and has received

the signature of the President. mittee for their successful effort.

REPORT ON PENSIONS. Corporal James Tanner, of Brooklyn, N. Y., Chairman of the Committee on Pensions, and representing a majority, submitted a report without settlement, or granting high pensions to those who had not been injured in the serv-Judge Advocate-General William Vandever, ice. It favored liberal pensions to widows and minor children still dependent, and to honorably-discharged soldiers injured or incapaci-

term of service. Gen. Paul Van Dervoort, of Nebraska, presented a minority report recommending the issuance of warrants to all discharged soldiers, claiming that such a course would not only improve all Northern lands, but increase the value of those in the South 50 times. He further believed that the discharged soldier was trance of Gen. Logan and later of Gen. Sher- as fairly entitled to the public lands as the screeching Indian or grasping corporations.

DISCUSSING THE REPORTS. On motion of Gen. Grosvenor, of Ohio, the conclusion of which an Iowa Delegate submitcution for the period of 10 years. A Dakota Delegate stated that under the present laws a discharged soldier was put to more trouble in securing land in his Territory than a native of Russia, as the latter can obtain land in one year and is not compelled to file his declaration the land laws of the United States actually diseriminate against the soldier, except that he is allowed his term of service in the provision for occupancy, and the waste and absorption of the public domain have been for the benefit of corporations and not of the soldiers. Give to the soldiers serving between 1861 and 1865 a tract of land which shall be held as their own forever.

A member from Ohio considered the with-Sherwood's poem on the Grand Army, recited groundwork is being laid for the most merci-

DEFENDING THE MAJORITY REPORT. Comrade S. S. Burdett, of Washington, re-

sponded to loud calls, and said: Nothing can add to the glories surrounding the deeds of the soldier, but there are things which can tarnish it. We have too many engineers at present and too few brakemen. The effect of such a profuse issuance of warrants will be the inevitable reduction of their value.

Comrade Burdett embodied the substance of a former report made by him as the basis of his opposition to extravagant or injudicious pensions, which was as follows: It was once estimated by competent authority that there would be at least 2,000,000 persons enti-

carry on the operations. The assembled people | tied to claims under such a bill. If each should | receive 160 acres, 320,000,000 acres would be absorbed by these claims, or an area equal to that of | to guide them, and that man I feel to be William the States of Indiana, Michigan, Wisconsin, Minnethe States of Indiana, Michigan, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Iowa, Missouri, Kansas, and Nebraska. I Chief. [Applause.] Look at the State of Missouri; am not in possession of statistics enabling me to it is a big State and a mighty State, and the center state what the quantity would be under the pending bill. The number of persons who served emanate the influences you possess. It should go more than one and less than two years, I have not to the Southeast, the South, and the Southwest. I yet been able to ascertain, but it is safe to say that | see Texas is not here. Arkansas, I am told has 220,000,000 acres of claims could be ready for the market within a brief period from the passage of the act. The whole of the remaining unsurveyed lands of the United States, excepting Alaska, is about 518,419,367 acres. Out of this deduct the vast mountain chains, the bodies of water, the desert are vacant. Indiana is full and Ohio at my feet are vacant. Indiana is full and Ohio at my feet are vacant. a frightful stampede was about to ensue. Fortunately, the fire was immediately extinguished and quiet restored before the alarm had
spread beyond the near proximity. It is said
the exhibition cost \$2,000 and over, but its merits were but little seen. The club numbers about 70 men, and their entertainment consists there was or is. It will take years to survey it. Eight hundred thousand acres a year is about the public surveys. At this rate have no objection to you gentlemen from Ohio

seats under roof. The consequence was that its lands of these speculators, and pay their prices. of Kansas City, and because he is in the line of op-. After further discussion the question recurred on the adoption of the Iowa amendment, the full effects of the splendid pyrotechnic dis- and it was lost by an overwhelming vote. Gen. play, which certainly must have been seen at | Van Dervoort's motion to substitute was also | St. Paul, 10 miles away. Brilliant flery ser- lost, and the majority report was adopted in pents, burning balls shot from a cannon, which the midst of loud applause. The Encampment burst in the upper air, scattering millions of then decided to elect officers at 3 o'clock p. m., and adjourned until 2:30 o'clock. AFTERNOON SESSION.

promptly at 2 o'clock by Commander Beath, and the reports of sub-committees called for. A. P. Pease, of Missouri, Chairman of the Committee on the Report of the Adjutant-General, presented his report, recommending greater promptness on the part of Posts in forwarding their returns, and certain changes in the duties of the office, paying a high compliment to the efficient services rendered by Adjutant-General Vanderslice, of Philadelphia. The Council of Administration presented a report in regard to the manufacture of badges. Gen. Louis Wagner, of Pennsylvania, from the Committee on Resolutions, submitted his report, recommending that the whole subject of the "General, we were all very glad when you | Sons of Veterans be referred to a special committee of 13, to examine into the matter and report at the next meeting of the Encampment. The Chair requested each Assistant Adjutant-"Yes, as soon as I got out of the real army I to the Headquarters of the Department of Minjoined the Army of Retrospection. I think we nesota the number of each delegation and laought all to keep together while any are left of dies, in order that invitations may be extended served Missouri in Congress in such a manner tiny of the noble amphitheater with its profuse to them to attend a banquet.

At this point Gens. Logan, Sherman, Fairwould rather see in the ranks, or to whom they | child, and Jardine, past officers and comrades, | for Commander-in-Chief, and the Encampment were invited to the platform in the midst of | took enthusiastic cheering.

cil of Administration on the Sons of Veterans votes cast, 374; necessary to a choice, 188. elicited considerable discussion and was lost. unions and Camp-fires, and now in the secret A resolution authorizing the council to provide | John C. Burst a new design of button or badge was adopted, as were various other resolutions of interest to the Encampment, including one discountenancing dancing on Memorial Day, and an- John S. Kountz ... other recommending preference for discharged | S. S. Burdett soldiers in the distribution of offices, when the necessary qualification is present. A proposition to elect Gen. W. T. Sherman a member of the Encampment was declared out of order under the rules. The unauthorized use of Encampment badges was condemned. Suitable J. R. Carnahar expression was also made in regard to the death Hampshire. A man calling himself Almon D. John S. Kountz..... Tuttle, an Arctic explorer, was declared a fraud | S. S. Burdett

THE ELECTION OF OFFICERS. Three hundred and fifty thousand of the old soldiers and sailors were found to reside west of the han, of Indiana. Kansas presented the name the result being as follows: of Thomas J. Anderson.

GEN. SHERMAN NOMINATES GEN. WARNER. On the call of the State of Missouri Gen. Sherman stepped to the front of the platform | Henry A. Barnum....... John S. Kountz..... and was received with wild applause. The S. S. Burdett..... Commander-in-Chief introduced him as Comrade Sherman. He spoke as follows:

veteran in war, I am a recruit among you and a its sessions, and suggested that they be pernovice in all conventions of whatever kind. I wish to occupy just as little time as possible. The five-minute rule suits me, and I hope it will be adhered to. I merely arise to speak in behalf of a man, a and the Encampment then adjourned until 9 ary membership in their society.

His speech was applauded to the echo, after which Adj.-Gen. Vanderslice called the roll of the newly-elected officers of the Encampment, fellow-statesman, now a gentleman well known to o'clock Friday morning. you, whom I desire in a few words to place in nomination before you to succeed your present worthy Commander-in-Chief. You know your organization derives its existence from war. All your memories are of war. One of your first artithe signature of the President.

The report was received and the thanks of the Encampment were returned to the committee for their successful effort.

cles is to impart the lessons of that war to those who are to follow behind you—your children and your children's children. You have adopted a military organization with a Commander-in-Chief, with an Adjutant-General, an Inspector-General, and all the paraphernalia of war. And I look upon the roster which was handed to me yesterday, and which I have in my pocket, and the first name after your Commander-in-Chief is one which by all the days. The following was the result of the rules of military law should be your next Comshowing the proposed legislation affecting the | mander-in-Chief. You know his name, and I will

pensions to soldiers and sailors, and the efforts existing laws. Many of the relief measures introduced were pronounced unreasonable, impolitic and unwarranted, especially those entitling soldiers to warrants to the public lands without settlement, or granting high pensions I now am, and I speak the honest convictions of a Henry A. Barnum... gentleman and a soldier. I have seen him many a John S. Kountz...... time since I moved to Missouri, which was only | John A. Burst ... eight or nine or 10 months ago. I have watched his career, I have inquired of his comrades and I find that he occupies in every relation of life—as husband, as the head of a family, as a fellow-citizen, as a scholar, as a lawyer and a gentleman, the highest place. He is known to you better than he is to me, as a member of the Grand Army. I have heard him recite your rituals word by word without the assistance of the pamphlet, which to me is a great mystery, and I have to follow it with spectacles. (Laughter.) Gentlemen, you have three parts to your grand and high Order. The first is one of his-tory. That you have well done, Another is of charity. You are dispersed over this broad land and have done mighty charities. Individually, by Posts, by divisions, and by the National Organization, you have done noble acts of charity, which will give you a place high above this earth after we have passed away. I saw in the pamphlets majority report was taken up for discussion, and Mr. Tanner supported the majority report with an argument of marked ability, at the military Posts, each having an organization—military, I want you to understand—and 253,895 men. ted an amendment to the report providing that I know by my own experience in a Post in St. Louis a patent for 160 acres be issued to all honorably-discharged Union soldiers and sailors, which shall be exempt from taxation and exewith an honorable record and indorsed by his fellow-soldiers. Therefore, you have an army behind your back of 253,000 men—a very respectable army. I can tell you, anywhere. [Laughter and applause.] Now, what is your office? First of history, next of charity; but there rests behind still more. It is your duty, gentlemen, individually, in your Posts of intention to become an American citizen until he files his final proof, but it takes a soldier four years to secure a title to his home-Ohio River, but it must go to the Gulf and to Texas and to Arizona, to wherever the flag flies. [Applause.] You do not want any old man to lead you there; you want a young man with brawny arms and strong muscles; you want a clear brain; you want a man versed in the law; you want a man who is in every sense a scholar, a gentleman and a soldier. The man whose name I will soon which none was more loyal from the very beginning until now. He was a boy almost, teaching school, and enlisted as a soldier, just as you others holding of patents from the soldier on the did. He became a Lieutenant and Aid-de-Camp; ground stated in the majority report as a re-flection upon his intelligence. A Pennsylvania the 4th Wis, until the end of the war, when he Delegate stated that the reported advantages of the Northwest and the alleged difficulties experienced by ex-soldiers who try to secure is now before you is one of principle, not one of lands were decidedly conflicting, and the fact arms. You do not want pistols and swords, or that the first statement was issued by a railroad company did not harmonize the two. The
clause in the minority report demanding the
clause in the minority report demanding the land, or its equivalent in money, explained the | across the continent almost, and the first successful milk in the cocoanut, he believed, and the movement was made from Cairo by Grant. [Applause.] He broke their lines, and it fell back and back until Vicksburg fell, and from this followed feature, and closing with a magnificent display Delegate thought the Encampment was losing every man was free to go and come, and it became at once a part and parcel of this great, glorious and us. In Missouri we have two Senators who were against us when the surrender took place. There

is where your Commander-in Chief should be-at the front line-on the picket-lines. [Applause. I tell you, gentlemen, no man can govern an army sitting behind. [Applause.] Every one of you remembers when they tried to run the machine from Washington. [Laughter.] When they selected a man who went to the front, and who pointed the way and who did it with intelligence and brains and took the risks of war, success perched on our banners and the rebellion broke down forever. [Applause.] Now, I say the war to-day is the war of opinion, and you gentlemen are still in the service. All you have to do is to work out your destinies to the end of your time and God will take care of the rest. Let us pick out a leader who is now on the picket-line, ready and willing, with a big heart and a big soul, and with brains and intelligence enough

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27 years would be required for furnishing the necessary tracts, and an indefinite number of years would be required to do the Land Office work preliminary to the final patenting of the whole. Under such with fire, and at a distance presents a gorgeous or rather what would your claims be worth, or rather what would be the maximum price of assertion that \$10 would be the maximum price of of an 80-acre claim, and \$25 of a claim for 160 acres. It is my deliberate judgment that half these sums would within two years be the extreme of the selling price. It is plainthat this would mean that a few men would soon be the owners of all desirable lands yet remaining to the United States, and that our own and the next generation must purchase of the claim of the course he is from Missouri, but because he is not because he is from Missouri, but because he is erations which in the future will be on the road between Kansas City and Texas; and when that is conquered we will never hear anybody dare to speak against the cause for which we fought, and for which we left so many of our dead comrades behind. [Applause.]

OTHER NOMINATIONS. Corporal Tanner, of New York, on behalf of a State which had sent forward nearly a quarter of a million of men, said the time has come when her voice must be heard.

The Encampment was again called to order She stands to-day as a man for one who enlisted as a private and came out a general; who was re-ported dead and knew the inside of rebel prisons; he was at Getty-burg and Malvern Hill, when he reby that grand old brother, George H. Thomas, to bear the record of victories to the Department at Washington, and is not unknown to the one upon whom so much depended—Gen. Sherman. I nomi-nate Gen Henry A. Barnum, of New York. [Wild cheering.

Ohio being called, John S. Kountz, of Toledo, the Drummer Boy of Mission Ridge, was nomiated in handsome style. The Department of auxiliary to their organization. the Potomac, represented by D. S. Alexander, of Washington, presented the name of Samuel General of the several Departments to report | rience and marked by ability and thorough | vided for them. Some further routine busias to win the good opinion of the most eminent men of that body. This closed the nominations

A FIRST BALLOT A motion to amend the Report of the Coun- with the following result: Total number of J. R. Carnaban Thomas J. Anderson. William Warner..... Henry A. Barnum... SECOND BALLOT. There being no choice, the second ballot was taken, and resulted:

John C. Burst. Thomas J. Anderson William Warner.

Total number of votes, 369; necessary to a choice, 186. No choice, and Comrade Carna-For Commander-in-Chief, John C. Burst, of han withdrew his name, wishing God-speed Illinois, was nominated. Gen. Robinson, of and good will to the successful candidate, who-Indiana, after a warm tribute to the services | ever he may be. The Encampment proceeded John C. Burst ...

Thomas J. Anderson Total number of votes 357-and no election. The Chair announced that many ladies de-

FRIDAY. Continuation of the Balloting-John S. Kountz quet in the Evening.

The election contest was resumed as soon as the session opened Friday morning, with all | the Encampment. The badge of office was the interest and animation of the previous | then placed upon Comrade Kountz, and he was

John A. Burst FIFTH BALLOT. SIXTH BALLOT. John S. Kountz..

Henry A. Barnum..... Comrade Kountz was declared elected, amid wild applause. Comrade Burst arose and, paying a deserved compliment to the majority's choice, moved to make it unanimous.

Gen. H. A. Barnum seconded the motion, promising that the 30,000 comrades in New York would sustain the new Commander generously and freely.

The election was made unanimous by acclamation, and Gen. Beath, resuming the chair, appointed Comrades Barnum and Burst a committee to escort the new Commander-in-Chief to the chair. Commander-elect Kountz, "The Drummer

Boy of Mission Ridge," modestly declared the honor as a recognition to those who had served in the ranks, and made a strong appeal for the preservation of the triple bond binding members of the Grand Army together. [Cheers.] OTHER ELECTIONS.

Maj. A. M. Way, of New Jersey, Capt. J. C. Michie, of Kentucky, and Ira E. Hicks, of Connecticut, were nominated for Junior Vice Com-

mander. After several ballots Hicks was elected unanimously. J. M. Foster, of New York, and J. M. Shaunamention fulfills all these requirements. He was born in the neighboring State of Wisconsin, than in-Chief, and Shaunafelt elected.

Dr. Wm. B. Hall, of Pennsylvania, was unanimously elected as Surgeon-General of the En-THANKS. On motion of Gen. Warner the thanks of the

Encampment were extended to the people of Minneapolis for their hospitality.

NEXT PLACE OF MEETING. dierly hospitalities. Corporal Tanner wanted | A request was here made by a Pennsylvania a cool place and suggested Portland, Me., and Delegate that Mrs. Elizabeth Mansfield Irving Comrade Hazzard, of Pennsylvania, favored should recite Mrs. Sherwood's poem, "The Alaska. Kansas favored Nashville. Com- Drummer Boy of Mission Ridge," which commander Beath wanted the Western boys to memorates the heroic act which crippled Comcome East at least once in three years. Balti- mander Kountz. Mrs. Irving complied, and more forwarded a second invitation to the by her realistic rendition of the poem held the magnificent free land. I tell you that when that Mississippi River became free from Cairo to the Gulf the war was substantially over. The rest was simply to follow, as every result must follow a cause. So now the Solution still in opinion against us. In Mississippi River became free from Cairo to the Grand Army; New Hampshire presented Concluded as her attraction, but on a vote being taken portland won the prize by a fair majority. Gen. Barnum explained that the Baltimore invitation was to individual members of the Grand Army; New Hampshire presented Concluded as her attraction, but on a vote being taken ning for herself and Commander Kounts entire the concluded as her attraction, but on a vote being taken ning for herself and Commander Kounts entire the concluded as her attraction, but on a vote being taken ning for herself and Commander Kounts entire the concluded as her attraction, but on a vote being taken ning for herself and Commander Kounts entire the concluded as her attraction, but on a vote being taken ning for herself and Commander Kounts entire the concluded as her attraction, but on a vote being taken ning for herself and Commander Kounts entire the concluded as her attraction, but on a vote being taken ning for herself and Commander Kounts entire the concluded as her attraction, but on a vote being taken ning for herself and Commander Kounts entire the concluded as her attraction, but on a vote being taken ning for herself and Commander Kounts entire the concluded as her attraction, but on a vote being taken ning for herself and Commander Kounts entire the concluded as her attraction, but on a vote being taken ning for herself and Commander Kounts entire the concluded as her attraction, but on a vote being taken ning for herself and Commander Kounts entire the concluded as her attraction, but on a vote being taken ning for herself and Commander Kounts entire the concluded as her attraction a tion was to individual members of the G. A. R. | upon his chair and started "Marching Thro' Confederate Generals, and within a few days will have elected Gov. Marmaduke, who was fighting tend the Annual Reunion of the Army of the The Banquet. Potomac, and he hoped that all would find it convenient to accept the hospitable tender. A resolution was offered by Wm. Warner, of Missouri, and adopted, authorizing the Council of Administration to change such place of meeting as may be designated by the Encampment within three months of the time of holding the same, provided reasonable rates cannot be obtained for the comrades from the railroads and

hotel people. COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION. The following were elected as the new Council of Administration: Arkensas-Thomas H. Barnes, Fort Scott. Colorado-C. D. Haskins.

Connecticut-Fred A. Spencer. Delaware-W. H. Purnell, Illinois-W. W. Berry. Indiana-P. P. Hammond. Iowa-John K. Peal. Kansas-H. S. Millard. Kentucky-Samuel T. Jenk. Maine-F. W. Haskell Maryland-W. O. Laville. Massachusetts-H. B. Pierce. Michigan-Samuel Wells. Minnesota-W. P. Roberts. Minnesota—W. P. Roberts,
Missouri—J. S. Sterritt.
Nebraska—J. O. West.
New Hampshire—D. B. Newhall,
New Jersey—J. R. Vansyckle,
New Mexico—J. J. Fitzgerrell,
New York—Herman K. Fox.
Ohio—J. J. Sullivan.
Pannaylyania—Samuel Hamps

Pennsylvania-Samuel Harper

Potomae—John Cameron. Rhode Island—W. J. Bradford. Vermont—L. F. Terrill. Virginia-H. De B. Clay. Wisconsin-Phil Check, jr.
Washington Territory-H. V. Daniels,
Oregon-B. B. Tuttle,
Dakota-John B. Denins,
Tennessee-E. S. Jones,

Department Commander Babb, of Minnesota, presented the delegation banners in the Colosseum to the several Departments as mementoes of the 18th meeting of the Encampment, and a resolution was adopted discouraging balls, excursions, and picnies on Memorial Day. Installation.

THE OFFICERS OF THE G. A. B. AND THE W. R. C. INDUCTED INTO OFFICE TOGETHER.

It is certainly noteworthy that the Woman's Relief Corps, but one year old, should receive official invitation from that long-established and noble organization, the Grand Army of the Republic, to be present at the installation of its National officers, and to install their own officers in the presence of that body. The Grand Army of the Republic is not an organization which would stoop to offer empty and ceived his awful wound; stood with others on Lookout Mountain and Ringgold. He was selected meaning women. There was gallantry in the meaning women. There was gallantry in the act, but not mere gallantry. The distinguished and unsolicited honors conferred upon the Woman's Relief Corps could only have resolved itself out of a profound feeling of respect and admiration for what this organization has already accomplished, as well as for the great earnest of the future which all must see in this

About 4 o'clock Friday afternoon the doors of the beautiful Collosseum, in which the G. A. S. Burdett, of the same city, as one who can R. had conducted its business meetings, were accomplish much and achieve victories in the | thrown open to the ladies of the Relief Corps. future. Mr. Alexander said that a man of ac- The Department officers were courteously contion is required at present-one full of expe- ducted to the stage, where seats had been proknowledge of public affairs. After the war, in | ness was disposed of, and during the interim which he had rendered heroic service, he had the ladies were engaged in an admiring scrudecorations.

DECORATIONS OF THE HALL. The immense sounding board back of the stage wes banked high in evergreen branches and pots of blooming fuchsias."

The entire balcony and dress-circle railings were hidden by the national colors, and from pillars and brackets and ceil-lights, flags and evergreens mingled in cheerful profusion. Presently attention was drawn to the south entrance by the arrival of

THE NATIONAL OFFICERS, present and elect, who were greeted with great enthusiasm and every demonstration of profound respect. Commander-in-Chief Kountz, after formally introducing them to the convention, conducted the ladies to seats in the center of the stage.

PRESENTATION TO GEN. VAN DERVOORT. Before proceeding with the installation of Before proceeding with the installation of officers, S.-V.-C. W. H. Holmes, of California, presented to Past Commander Vandervoort, in behalf of the G. A. R., an elegant gold watch and chain, in pursuance of the resolution adopted at the Denver Encampment, that Gen. Van Dervoort be presented with some token of their appreciation of his fidelity and the valuable character of his services to the organization. On one side of the case were the initials of the Order, and on the reverse side the tials of the Order, and on the reverse side the in half pound this by Grocers, Labelled line: jaitials of his name, both in monograms; while JAMES EPPS & CO., Homeopathic Chemists, upon the inside of the case were engraved the resolutions by virtue of which he became its

Gen. Van Dervoort responded most feelingly to the great compliment, and took occasion. also, to speak his thanks to the ladies of the W. R. C. for the unprecedented honor they had COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF AND COMBADES: Though | sired to attend the Encampment during one of | bestowed upon him in electing him to honorary membership in their society.

the Commander-elect announcing W. W. Alcorn, of Toledo, as his Adjutant-General, and THE OBLIGATION OF OFFICE was duly administered by the retiring Commander-in-Chief. The Commander-elect, who

Elected on the Sixth Ballot-Other Officers Chosen | took the oath after its administration to the -Portland, Me., the Next Place of Meeting-Ban- subordinate officers, expressed in a few words his overwhelming appreciation of the honor implied in his election to the highest office in presented as Commander-in-Chief of the G A. R. for the ensuing year. Mrs. E. Florence Barker, the retiring President of the National Woman's Relief Corps,

was then introduced to the Encampment, and made a brief, graceful address, preliminary to the installation of officers, which was warmly applauded. The lady then requested Mrs. Elizabeth Mansfield Irving, of Toledo, to serve as Chaplain, and Mrs. Goodale, of Boston, as Conductor. Mrs. Irving read the ritual prayer in a clear, concentrated voice, easily heard throughout the vast amphitheater, the comrades and the ladies of the Relief Corps standing meanwhile. The reverent, intelligent reading of Mrs. Irving, her womanly demeanor

and the unusual spectacle of A WOMAN LEADING THE G. A. R. in divine worship, made an impression not soon to be forgotten.

The Conductor escorted the Senior and Junior Vice Presidents, the Secretary, and Treasurer to their positions before the President, and they were duly installed.

APPLAUDING A NURSE. As Mrs. Annie Wittenmeyer, the Chaplainelect, was led forward for installation, an incident occurred which will be remembered a life-time by all who witnessed it. Gen. Van Dervoort commenced an applause, which was feebly taken up and was about to die out, when Past Commander Beath sprang to his feet and shouted: "Annie Wittenmeyer, one of the best army nurses the Union ever had!" Instantly every comrade was upon his feet. Hats and handkerchiefs were wildly waved, and again and again the "three cheers" shook the building. In giving Mrs. Wittenmeyer her charge Capt. John P. Rea, of Minnesota, Walter H. | the President said: "I feel like a child charging Holmes, of San Francisco, and E. K. Stimson, its mother. How can I instruct you, to whom of Colorado, were nominated for Senior Vice- we both of the Grand Army and the Woman's

CLOSING CEREMONIES. After the remaining subordinate officers were duly installed, the Conductor escorted forward the President-elect, to whom the retiring President's charge was full of affection, yet tempered with a dignity befitting the place and the occasion. Placing in her hands the emblems of leadership, the retiring President said: "May you, when your term of office expires, be able to confide the gavel and the ritual into the hands of a successor in whose fidelity and ability you have the same full confidence that I have in you." After a few eloquent words to the comrades and the ladies of the Relief Corps, in which she paid most generous tribute to the faithful support of her subordinate officers, Mrs. Barker took her seat amid the heartfelt applause which her long In regard to the next place of meeting, the and unswerving devotion to the cause has well

The Banquet.

FINE MENU AND EXCELLENT SPEECHES. The Banquet on Friday night in the City Armory closed the proceedings. Cant E. C. Babb, Commander of the Department of Minnesota, presided, and after the meeting had been called to order introduced Comrade S. S. Burdett, of Washington, who made a short but eloquent address. The toast "The Grand Army" was set for

Commander-in-Chief Kountz, who excused himself from responding on account of weariness. and called upon Gen. Grosvenor, of Ohio, as a substitute, who, in the course of his speech, said among many other excellent things, "It has been a long time since Comrade Kountz employed a substitute. [Laughter.] In fact. the only time I can remember was when he employed a wooden substitute for his missing

As Gen. Grosvenor concluded, Gen. Sher-

most eulogistic manner of the good work the association had performed. "The Volunteer Soldier" was responded to by Corporal Tanner, of New York, and his remarks, with their many pathetic and humor-[Continued on 6th page,]

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man entered the hall and was received with loud cheers, the band playing "Marching Through Georgia."

Past Commander-in-Chief Paul Van Dervoort responded in his usual happy manner to "The Woman's Relief Corps," speaking in the "Swift's Specific cured me promptly and permanently, and I hope every like suffer will take it.

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